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Top shot!

Year 7 student Sam Williams crosses the finish line to claim the Victorian 800m title at the Victorian All Schools Athletics Championships at Albert Park in October. Sam won with a personal best time of 2min10sec. Sam also won the state title in the 1500m event with a time of 4min34sec, stamping himself as an athletics star of the future. Well done Sam!

Welcome to the third edition of *the Shamrock* for 2013

Another year has passed and the fabric and culture of St Patrick's College has been enriched further. For many reasons (far too many to list) 2013 will long be remembered as a landmark year in the history of the College. Most notably though it was the 120th anniversary of the College's inception and also presented us the opportunity to thank and farewell the Christian Brothers for all their work in that time. We hope this, the third and final edition of *The Shamrock*, provides fitting coverage of all that has happened in the College over the past few months as we draw to a close another wonderful year. We wish you and your family all the very best over the coming Christmas and holiday period and look forward to welcoming many of you back refreshed and reinvigorated for 2014.

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Old Collegian James Kerr (SPC 2000-05) is ordained to the priesthood by Bishop of Ballarat Paul Bird in September, 2013. Fr Kerr became the first Old Boy in a decade to be ordained to the priesthood.

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Headmaster's Annual Report to Speech Night 2013



Dr Peter Casey
Headmaster

Good evening everyone. Welcome to all in the 121st year of the College. As we gather I acknowledge that we gather on the lands traditionally cared for by the Wathaurong People. I pay my respects to their elders past and present and to any other elders who join us tonight.

I also acknowledge the Christian Brothers who for 120 years cared for the site on which St Patrick's College stands, who established the legacy upon which we build, and who are represented tonight by Br Vince Duggan, Leader of Oceania Province.

Acknowledgment of Guests The members of the Official Party

- Bishop Paul Bird, CSsR
Bishop of Ballarat and Patron of the College
- Dr Peter Casey,
Headmaster
- Br Vince Duggan,
Oceania Province Leader of the Christian Brothers
- Mr Geoff Howard,
State Member for Ballarat East
- Ms Sharon Knight,
State Member for Ballarat West
- Mr Paul Williams,
Director of Regional Support
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Education Australia
- Mr John Schreenan,
St Patrick's College Foundation
- Mr Steve McMahon,
President of the Old Collegian's
Association
- Mr Chris Caldwell,
Deputy Headmaster: Student & Staff
Wellbeing
- Mr Stephen Hill,
Deputy Headmaster: Teaching
& Learning
- Ms Elizabeth Till,
Director of Administration, Teaching
Performance & Development
- Mr Chris Gleeson,
Director of Sport
- Ms Elizabeth Ryan,
Head of Senior School
- Mr Neal Arthurson,
Head of Middle School
- Mr John Richards,
Head of Junior School
- Mr Stephen Kirby,
College Captain 2009
- Mr Peter Oakley,
College Captain 2013



Other guests include Sr Margaret Sculley, who has returned as community leader of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Loreto Sisters, and Mr Paul James representing the Dorothy Irene Ellis-Thomas Trust. You are all welcome as we reflect on another year of flourishing at St Patrick's College.

Student Programmes and Teaching & Learning

This is the first year that boys will have vied for Chris Nolan Awards since their entry into Year 7 in 2008. Fittingly, eleven Year 12 boys have achieved a Chris Nolan award in each of their eleven semesters and they were recognised at Assembly recently.

Student Leadership and Pastoral Care
Peter Oakley, Nicholas McMaster and Luke Wilson have ably led the Year 12 Student Council, the Student Congress and the general student body. They have been evident across the arts and sport as well as in academic pursuits. This year's Council members have been particularly noticeable in their

promotion of interactions with the ladies of Loreto at many levels. This has been most positive.

The boys continue to flourish through the care showered on them by our staff, both teaching and non-teaching. Having people genuinely interested in one's wellbeing is a very affirming notion to boys as they grapple with adolescent issues of identity, sexuality, personhood, value systems and hopefully faith.

Catholic Identity

To assist in this latter area which is core to our being, our identity as a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition, our Mission Team led by Mr Geoff Brodie has worked assiduously to find new ways of engaging staff in the work of engaging the boys in what must be the work of all. Our liturgies flourish as opportunities for all to enter into our sacred mysteries, into our celebration of all that is good, and into our remembrance of friends in good times and sad.

Cultural Pursuits

A highlight of the year was the production of Sweeney Todd under the aegis of Mr Greg Shawcross, something the boys could sink their teeth into!

Sporting Activities

Highlights for me include the tour of Ireland, London and Paris, the hosting of the state schoolboys rugby grand finals and the fourth consecutive win in the Herald-Sun Shield by the 1st XVIII, as well as the growing number of house-based competitions at lunchtime and after school, complementing our BAS representations.

Boarding

Boarding continues at the heart of the College. We farewell our Director of Boarding, Mr Alex Hunt, because of family circumstances, Alex has brought a good level of rigour to our Boarding processes and the certification of staff.





Student Population

The new year saw us start with 1375 students, up by 50 students from last year. We anticipate an enrolment in 2014 of 1400.

Finances

The College Board and the Finance Committee continue to zealously ensure that our resources are well husbanded, keeping the costs to parents at a sustainable level while providing adequately for the programmes we choose to offer and the growth of our facilities to cater for those who wish to join us.

Support

The College is grateful for the way in which it continues to be well served by its support groups: the Board, the Old Collegians Association, the Foundation, the Friends of St Patrick's, the Friends of Music and the SPC Rowing Club.

During the year, Edmund Rice Education Australia was officially recognised by the Church as the

entity responsible for our school as well as the other educational ventures of the Christian Brothers in Australia. I am a member of the old guard of principals who are still struggling to modify the bureaucratic model adopted by EREA. We seek to limit the impost on schools locally, both financially and in the duplication of reporting. Overall EREA appears to be serving the needs of the Congregation of Christian Brothers to be reassured with regard to legal compliance and to charism continuity but other religious orders have much leaner mechanisms to achieve this.

While we have continued to enjoy the support of the Church locally and across the diocese, we have been mindful of the pain being examined and being suffered because of the Parliamentary Inquiry into the Handling of Child Abuse by Religious and Other Institutions, and the concurrent Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual

Abuse. Many members of our Ballarat community still bear the scars, the shame and some, the guilt of what has been.

Special Events

This year was marked by our 120th birthday celebrations and a farewell to the Christian Brothers on St Patrick's Day. The closure of the local brothers' community was an opportunity to mark the great work of so many people over 120 years, something which should not be lost because of the failings of a few.

We have lived with pain and suffering throughout the year with several of our boys lucky to escape death, and staff not so lucky. We remember Mr Phil Sherry who died recently after a long battle with cancer, and pray for Ms Cathy Warhurst who is currently in intensive care suffering from cancer and who has a poor prognosis. We remember the families who have suffered similar losses and pray for the eyes of faith to filter our sadness.



As I conclude I offer my thanks, and those of the broad College community, to all who have added to our flourishing in 2013. With a touch of sadness we farewell our Year 12s and several staff, but we view them as our missionaries, taking our story to the world. In particular, I thank our Deputy Head: Student and Staff Wellbeing, Mr Chris Caldwell, who leaves us to take up the principalship of Penola College in Melbourne. Chris has been universally admired for his contribution to our cause, for his capacities to work fairly with all and to value all. We wish him well.

I think that my recent research has finally unearthed the meaning of life in the words, Ecka Dora! I have determined that they mean 'Much joy'.

Thank you and Ecka Dora.





College Awards

Speech Night 2013



Peter Oakley
Headmaster's Award for Leadership

Traditionally, the College Headmaster presents this award to the College Captain in recognition of his leadership of the College community.



Peter Oakley
ADF Long Tan Award - Year 12

The ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award provides a fitting tribute to the Long Tan veterans by encouraging and recognising in a Year 12 student the values demonstrated at Long Tan - determination, mateship, teamwork, tenacity, compassion and leadership.



Kelsey Gannon
ADF Long Tan Award - Year 10

The ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award provides a fitting tribute to the Long Tan veterans by encouraging and recognising in a Year 10 student the values demonstrated at Long Tan - determination, mateship, teamwork, tenacity, compassion and leadership.



Christopher Borell
Edmund Rice Award for Ministry

This award recognises a student who has embodied the spirit of Edmund Rice through his involvement in justice, action and reflective practice within the College, the community and the Edmund Rice Network.



Jack Saunders
Howard Award for Excellence

First presented in 1955, this award is the gift of the Howard Family in gratitude for all that St Patrick's College did for the four sons who attended SPC from 1923 through to 1937. It is given for all round excellence, character, leadership, participation, academic pursuits and culture or sports.



Luke Wilson
Little Family Award for School Spirit

This award is presented in honour of the Little Family whose five sons attended SPC between 1904 and 1924. It is presented to a senior student who has displayed and developed school spirit among the students through his dedication and general service to the College.



Caleb McGrath
De Coubertin Award for Sportsmanship

This award recognises a student who demonstrates consistent participation and commendable sporting behaviour in line with the Olympic ideals of participation.



Timothy Crowe
Dorothy Irene Ellis-Thomas Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded each year to a hardworking, conscientious and worthy student who has shown an overall endeavour to pursue excellence in all areas of his school life and who wishes to continue to do the same in the future.



Thomas Thorpe
Gatherine King Award for Community Service

This award recognises a student who has made a significant contribution to the welfare of the College and wider communities.



Academic Awards

Middle School Award for all-round excellence

Tynan C Haintz

Junior School Award for all-round excellence

Mitchell Tuddenham

Year 11 Dux

Hamish Clydesdale

Year 11 Proxime Accessit Prize

Thomas Keogh

Year 11 Religious Education Prize

Thomas Keogh

Year 10 Dux – Peter Farley Scholarship and Federation University

William Briggs

Year 10 Proxime Accessit Prize

Kelsey Gannon

Dr Frank McArdle Prize

Year 10 Science

Kelsey Gannon

Year 10 Religious Education Prize

Timothy Martin

Year 9 Dux

Liam O'Shea

Year 9 Proxime Accessit Prize

Riley Murphy

Year 9 Religious Education Prize

Liam Haintz

Year 8 Dux

Lachlan Furlong

Year 8 Proxime Accessit Prize

Brandon Lauton

Year 8 Religious Education Prize

Lachlan Frawley

Year 7 Dux

Samuel Williams

Year 7 Religious Education Prize

Samuel Williams

Year 7 Proxime Accessit Prize

Ryan Mulheron

Public Speaking

Br D.G. Purton Oratory

Peter Oakley

W.T. Doyle Debating

Peter Oakley

Sir Hugh Devine Impromptu Speech

Thomas Thorpe

W.T. Doyle Debating

Thomas Thorpe

Major Brian Broadribb Impromptu Speech

Emerson McMaster

W.T. Doyle Debating

Jack Wakefield

Br H.T. Breach Oratory

David O'Doherty

Mary Purcell Debating

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Mary Purcell Debating

Liam O'Shea

Mary Purcell Debating

Bailey Crawford

Music

Performer of the Year

Thomas Thorpe

Band Executive Award for Dedication and Commitment

Timothy Crowe

Sir Bernard Heinze Award for Overall Outstanding Musical Achievement

Andrew Groch

Bandsman of the Year

Lachlan Fuller

Junior Music Award

Brendan Siebring

Sport

Stephen Moneghetti Award for outstanding athlete at the BAS Carnival

Ryan Shaw

Award for A Grade Badminton

Stephen Weightman

Peter Farley Award for 1st V Basketball

Jack Saunders

Leo O'Brien Award for 1st XI Cricket

Blayde Baker

Tony Benson Award for Senior Cross Country

Lachlan Murphy

Br W.T. O'Malley Award for 1st XVIII Football for Best & Fairest Player

Brett Bewley

John James Medal for Best on Ground BAS Grand Final

Brett Bewley

Br H.T. Breach Award for 1st XI Hockey

Liam Noone

Brian Vear Award for Senior Rowing

Caleb McGrath

Award for 1st XV Rugby

Gene Bergman

Thomas Karras Memorial Award for 1st XI Soccer for Best & Fairest Player

Patrick Karras

Award for Senior Racquetball

Matthew Cashin

Br B.J. Davis Award for Commitment to SPC Swimming

Michael Rodger

The Captains Cup Award for Swimming

Jeremiah Seymour-Quest

Br B.J. Scott Award for Senior Gymnastics

James Mulraney

Award for A Grade Table Tennis

Jye Matkov

Award for 1st IV Tennis

Kelly Lyle

Award for Golf

Kelly Lyle

Award for 1st VI Volleyball

Isaac Harbour

Award for Shooting

Hugh Dickson

Award for Lawn Bowls

Lachlan Kennedy

Award for Croquet

William Jury

Award for Cycling

Hugo Tolliday

House Awards

An Award for a senior boy who has displayed an outstanding attitude towards and made a significant contribution to academic, cultural, sporting, and social justice activities.

The Br J.B. Galvin Award

Xavier Vearing

The Br E.F. Keniry Award

Caleb McGrath

The Br M.P. Nunan Award

Mark McOwan

The Br J.L. Ryan Award

Nicholas Whelan



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Valedictory Dinner

2013

In his address at the 2013 Valedictory Dinner Headmaster Dr Peter Casey was prepared to individually name students from the Year 12 class who had excelled and brought great honour to the school.

Then, he realised it would be an impossible task.

"A month or so ago I started thinking about tonight, saying goodbye, and the happy memories I would take away from this group," Dr Casey told the audience of more than 600 people at this year's dinner.

"I started thinking about the great and public achievements of the boys overall in so many areas. I thought of

the quiet players who are the sand and cement amongst the rocks solidifying the edifice. I thought of those of whom we have great expectations in academic terms- and they are many.

"I found I was concentrating on those whose hand I have shaken over the years at assemblies, presentation ceremonies, sporting finals and Speech Nights. People who first came to mind included some family favourites and very obvious young men and I was going to name them tonight. But then the list kept growing with diverse talents popping up all over the place.

"This was a very positive and

heart-warming experience for me. So suffice for me to say how grateful I am for sharing the time with you, whether it has been six years or one."

It is perhaps this observation that best sums up the Class of 2013 – that there were simply too many plaudits to mention.

However, the Valedictory Dinner did its best to recollect many of the memories gathered over the past six years. Photo tributes shown on the night captured many wonderful moments while speeches from College captain Peter Oakley, and vice-captains Luke Wilson and Nicholas McMaster also carried some fantastic, entertaining anecdotes.



Once again the Br W.T. O'Malley Sports Centre played host for the Valedictory Dinner. By day it is a mild-mannered gym, but by night it can transform into a stunning function centre – the likes of which are unmatched in Ballarat.

Many thanks to the staff who worked so hard to make the night a success, and many thanks also to the Class of 2013 for all that they did on the night and in all the six years leading up to it.





2014 Student Leaders



2014 College Captain
Benjamin Martin



2014 College Vice-Captain
Samuel Romeril



2014 College Vice-Captain
David Adams

I can honestly say that I have enjoyed every day at the College and have thrived in all aspects of College life. A practical example of this and one that defines us as a school in the Edmund Rice tradition is our commitment to social justice. Through the example of Edmund we are able to enter into relationship with the stories of Jesus of the Gospels and the importance of service.

Benjamin Martin has been elected as College Captain for 2014.

Ben was appointed following a multi-phased election process involving all Year 11 and Year 10 students as well as all staff.

At the end of this process it was determined that Ben was best placed for the prestigious position due to his outstanding leadership skills and his rapport with students and staff.

His vice-captains in 2014 will be Samuel Romeril and David Adams.

Following is an excerpt from Ben's first address as College Captain-elect which was presented at the Transfer of Leadership Assembly in Term 4:

"Almost five years ago, as a boy in my last year of primary education, I was left late in the year, with no secondary school placement. My mum had organised for me to have an interview at St Patrick's College. Much to my delight, after an interview and a tour of the school, I was to find out only a few weeks later that I had been accepted into this great College. Coming from the ranks of the 'outsider' to a part of the College has provided me with a heightened awareness of what a privilege it is to put on the uniform each day. With privilege comes responsibility and my mantra has always been to commit to doing my

best in every school activity and displaying leadership through my actions and words.

I can honestly say that I have enjoyed every day at the College and have thrived in all aspects of College life. A practical example of this and one that defines us as a school in the Edmund Rice tradition is our commitment to social justice. Through the example of Edmund we are able to enter into relationship with the stories of Jesus of the Gospels and the importance of service. This is borne out each year on Edmund Rice Day where each boy is challenged to raise a minimum of \$40 each for Edmund Rice charities. Now with over 1400 students, this should be an easily attainable task.

However, disappointingly in my time at the College, not once have I seen the goal of \$40,000 reached. The importance and main focus of these days and activities, is to provide hope, support and opportunity to others. We can and do make a difference, but we can do more! So I challenge all in our community to raise the \$40 and make a difference!

As College Captain, I would like to offer this advice to all boys for 2014:

- Love your school and take pride in being a 'Patty boy'.
- Do not pass up any opportunities and take advantage of everything St Patrick's has to offer.

• Use the skills and knowledge of all staff members. They offer many diverse talents and abilities, and are here to help you.

• Our uniform is well known throughout the community. Wear it with pride, respect the Green, White and Blue tie on your chest and know that you are always on display when in your uniform.

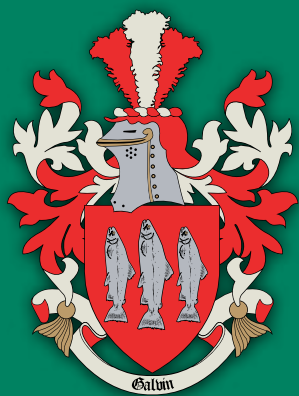
• Enjoy every day in this wonderful place. Your time to depart will quickly come – leave a legacy for future generations of St Patrick's boys to aspire to.

I am looking forward to working with the student council and student congress of 2014, to ensure that each body fulfils their duties and contribute to making this great place even better.

In closing I would like to wish the Class of 2013, all the best for their upcoming exams and good luck in whatever they may wish to pursue in future years. I would also like to thank them for their contributions to the living history of the College and assure them that they have had a real and lasting impact upon students in younger years, who have admired and appreciated their efforts and achievements in all aspects of school life."

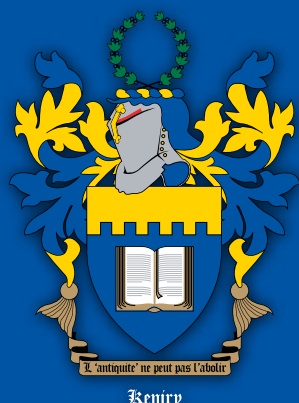
2014 Student Council

Following elections conducted by the Australian Electoral Commission the following Student Leadership appointments were made for 2014. House Captains, Vice Captains and Congress representatives within each House and year level are listed below.



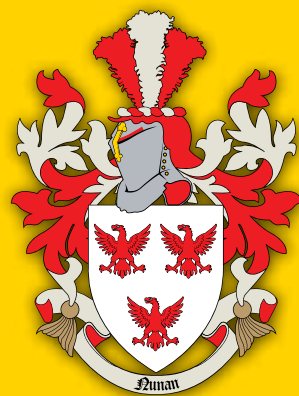
Captain
Liam Duggan

Vice Captains
Bradley DeVries
Ryley Stuhldreier



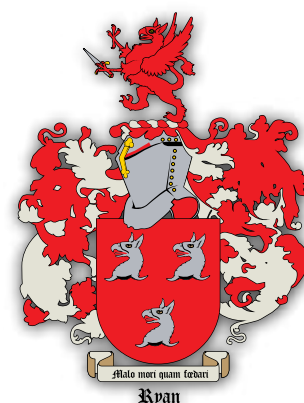
Captain
Alex Browning

Vice Captains
Hamish Clydesdale
Thomas McMaster



Captain
Thomas Mooney

Vice Captains
Liam Hanrahan
Louis Powlett



Captain
Harrison Robertson

Vice Captains
Matthew Lakey
Kane White

Members of the 2014 Student Congress

Year 11

Liam Duggan
Bradley DeVries
Ryley Stuhldreier

Year 10

Mitchell Canny
Ryan Ringin

Year 9

Seamus Hoffmann
Riley Murphy

Year 8

Joshua Duggan
Jordan Grant

Year 7

Thomas Clark
Jacob Nolan

Year 11

Alex Browning
Hamish Clydesdale
Thomas McMaster

Year 10

Kelsey Gannon
Joshua Rix

Year 9

Samuel McMaster
Jarrod O'Brien

Year 8

Lachlan Fahey
Isaac Quick

Year 7

Riley Cartledge
Dean O'Brien

Year 11

Thomas Mooney
Liam Hanrahan
Louis Powlett

Year 10

Nick Anokye
Patrick Collier

Year 9

Hasker Dawborn
Sam Short

Year 8

Lachlan Cooper
Nicholas Elliott

Year 7

Jack Butler
Bryce Stevens

Year 11

Harrison Robertson
Matthew Lakey
Kane White

Year 10

Nicholas Frawley
Samuel Mewett

Year 9

Thomas Conlan
Tynan C Haintz

Year 8

Nicholas Carta
Lachlan Frawley

Year 7

Matthew Aikman
Ryan Andrew

Captain of Boarding
Daniel Briggs

SPAM history

Year 12 student Christopher Borell has created history by becoming the first student in the College's history to win consecutive St Patrick's Award for Media (SPAM) following his win on November 19.

Chris' film, entitled "Ignited Mind" was hailed by judges for its fantastic balance of captivating sound and dialogue, its compelling storyline and creative and dramatic use of camera angles and visual techniques.

The short film is the culmination of many months of shooting and editing, done mostly in south-west Victoria during bushfire season.

Chris told the audience in his acceptance speech at the SPAM Awards Night that he unintentionally risked his life to get

some of the shots as he found himself surrounded by fire.

It was Chris' second win at the awards function following his victory as a Year 11 student in 2012.

The judging panel, featuring four Old Boys Tom Andrews, Paul King, Ben Andrews and James Seery, said Chris' work had clearly improved in the subsequent 12 months and that the high quality of the 11 finalists in 2013 was a great tribute to the effort and commitment of the students, and also to their teachers Peter Hutchins and Belinda Lees.

Chris' winning film is available to view on YouTube at this address: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SB3hf78s4jo>

Earlier in the evening, the 200 guests at the SPAM presentation night were treated to a glimpse of the College's next generation of film makers as trailers from students in Years 10 and 11 were shown.

The quality of film on display showcased a broad range of genres,



from comedy to thriller, and provided enough to suggest students of the next two years will challenge the likes of Chris Borell with their high quality work.

Year 11 student Bradley De Vries, in particular, was recognised for his talent when he won the Young Film Maker of the Year competition for his work "Project Mask".

Bradley De Vries
"Project Mask"

James Keys
"Flashback"

Jimi Gregg
"Record Noir"

Mitchell Thomas
"Rhythm"

Caleb McGrath
"Unearthing Reality"

Matthew Maher
"Kalopsia"

Christopher Borell
"Ignited Mind"

Above: Year 12 student Christopher Borell has won back-to-back SPAM awards.

SPAM 2013 Finalists:

Ignatius Stewart
"Untitled"

Jack Harrison
"Abridged"

Lachlan Murphy
"Things I Do"

Charlie Robinson
"Untitled"

Below: 2013 Flanagan Art Prize Winner Neale Thompson, left, is congratulated by Viatek's Craig Whitfield.



Flanagan Art Winners Announced

Ballarat artist Neale Thompson is the winner of the 2013 Flanagan Art Prize.

Mr Thompson's piece "From Backyard to Table" was adjudged the finest in the exhibition by judge and National Gallery of Victoria assistant curator Beckett Rozentals.

Mr Thomson, who has sons at SPC in Years 8 and 11, took home the winner's cheque, courtesy of sponsor Viatek. Viatek Western Victoria sales and marketing manager Craig Whitfield made the presentation in the College's Pavilion on Friday, August 23.

The University of Ballarat Emerging Artist Prize, valued at \$1500, was won by Melbourne artist Yuso Lee for her sculpture "Urban Dusk".

Major Sponsors:





Father's Day Feast

The College was delighted to be able to host around 200 fathers (and some grandfathers) and sons at the 2013 Annual Father's Day Mass and Breakfast which was held on Friday, August 30.

Mass was celebrated in the College Chapel by Fr Ben Johnson before guests adjourned to a stand-up breakfast in the Dining Room. Fathers of boys from Year 7 to Year 12 were able to enjoy their egg and bacon focaccias and a cup of tea or coffee with their sons.

The event is also a useful networking opportunity for parents who get the chance to meet with other men from the wider St Patrick's College community in an informal setting.

The success of the 2013 Mass and Breakfast followed a similar event which was held for Mother's Day earlier in the year, which attracted around 400 mums and their sons.

"From a College perspective, it is heartening that both these events have become such popular and growing occasions on the College calendar," Director of Community Development Paul Nolan said.

"It gives us the opportunity to thank our parents for all the great work they do in preparing their sons for their educational journey at St Patrick's College and also gives them the opportunity to meet or catch up with other parents in similar situations."

Planning for 2014 Mother's and Father's Day events will begin early in the new year. The Mother's Day Mass and Breakfast will be held on Friday, May 9 while the Father's Day event will be on Friday, September 5, 2014. Both days will feature a Mass in the College Chapel at 7am followed by breakfast.

Keep an eye on both The Shamrock and The Crest, as well as the College website, early next year for more details on how to book your place at both events.

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Fr James inspires College joy



There was much joy for the wider St Patrick's College community in early September when former student James Kerr (SPC 2000-05) was ordained to the priesthood at St Patrick's Cathedral.

In doing so, Fr James became the 316th Old Boy to pursue such a life of faith, and the first since 2002.

The Cathedral was filled with around 550 of Fr James' family, friends, colleagues and well-wishers on Friday, September 6 to witness the ceremony, conducted by Bishop Paul Bird.

Fr James, 26, is the only priest ordained in the Catholic Church in Ballarat this year.

Of more delight to the College, Fr James opted to celebrate his first Mass in the College Chapel on Saturday, September 7 before

allowing the College and the Old Collegians' Association to co-host a luncheon for the entire congregation in the OCA Pavilion.

Fr James had long had an extremely close affiliation with the College, both as a student and as a resident living with his family in McCunnie House for many years while his father, Mick, taught at the College.

Fr James said it was his during his time at St Patrick's that he realised a life in the priesthood may be in his future.

"When I was at pre-school I used to play at doing Mass," he told *The Courier*.

"But I think I thought more about it in late primary school and early secondary. It was during my time at St Patrick's College I started really thinking seriously about it."

College Headmaster Dr Peter Casey said James was an excellent student, participant and leader in his time at the College.

"In his final year of 2005, he was prominent in academic pursuits (Proxime Accessit with an ENTER of 99.45 and winner of the Dorothy Irene Ellis-Thomas Scholarship), Rugby (Vice-Captain), and St Vincent de Paul Society (Secretary). James was also involved in the senior choir, public speaking and debating," Dr Casey said.

"He then stood as an exemplar to his peers and his juniors. As a College we are proud to welcome him back and congratulate him on his response to his God-given calling.

"We wish him well for the years ahead with Christ beside him, and Christ to lead him."

Pictured above (L-R): Organist Kevin Chi-Ong from Corpus Christi College performed during the Mass in the College Chapel.

Fr James offers first blessings outside the front of the College following his first Mass.

Family pic Fr James Kerr with his parents Francine and Mick

There was standing room only as the College Chapel was filled to capacity for Fr James' first Mass.

Dr Andrew Watson, a former staff member at St Patrick's College and a former teacher and mentor for Fr James Kerr, was a guest speaker at the luncheon following the Mass.

News from around the College



Changes at the top

The end of 2013 signals a sad time for St Patrick's College as we farewell not only our Year 12 students but also a number of staff who have been fine servants at the College.

Chief among these departures in 2013 is our Deputy Headmaster - Student and Staff Wellbeing Mr Chris Caldwell (above left) who is leaving us after five years at St Patrick's College to take up the role as Principal at Penola College, Broadmeadows.

Penola is a coeducational school of 1600 students on two campuses, and comes from the traditions of Edmund Rice and the Christian Brothers, Mary Aikenhead and the Sisters of Charity, and Mary McKillop and the Sisters of St Joseph.

While we will miss Chris terribly and are very grateful for all the fantastic work he has done at SPC, we know that he will be a terrific Principal and wish him all the best when he starts his new role next year.

Chris' replacement will be Mr Jon Franzin, currently Deputy at St Paul's College, Gilles Plains, an Edmund Rice school in Adelaide. Jon comes highly recommended and is very familiar with education in Catholic, boys and Edmund Rice spheres.

There will be further changes at the end of 2014 as well with current Headmaster Dr Peter Casey announcing he will retire at that time.

This will bring to a close 13 years of Dr Casey's leadership of the College.

As all would know, Dr Casey has had an extraordinary career in Catholic education, including Principalship since 1986. He is a true son of Edmund Rice, serving several years as a Christian Brother, before continuing in leadership in Diocesan Catholic education and then returning to lead St Patrick's. There will be much to celebrate in Dr Casey's magnificent career as we congratulate and farewell him during next year.

Farewell Phil

Vale Mr Phillip Sherry (SPC student 1967-1972, Staff 2008 -2013)

Sadly Mr Phillip Sherry (above middle) passed away on October 14 after a long battle with cancer. Whilst short in stature, Phil was a larger than life character who had a great sense of humour and loved telling stories. Phil spent over 35 years of his working life teaching in Catholic schools throughout Victoria which included stints as Principal in Catholic Parish primary schools in and around Warrnambool. Phil left primary education and began teaching at the Bendigo Catholic College followed by his final employment back at his alma mater St Patrick's College.

Phil loved his time at as a teacher at St Patrick's College and taught English within the Senior School. Phil loved the relationships that he was able to make with the boys. Our thoughts and prayers are with Phil's partner Beth and his four children Peter, Joanne, Michael and Damian and their extended families in their time of grief.

Meanwhile, at time of writing, the College community was offering prayers for another staff member battling cancer. Laboratory technician Cathy Warhurst (above right with Business Manager Mrs Shirley Walters) was in intensive care and her prognosis was poor. The thoughts and prayers of the College community are extended to Cathy and all her family and friends.

Mayor Morris honoured

St Patrick's College would like to congratulate former student Joshua Morris (SPC 1995-2000) on his election as Mayor of Ballarat. We look forward to working closely with Cr Morris in 2014 and continuing our strong ties with the City of Ballarat.

Mums mourned

The St Patrick's College community is also mourning the deaths of three mothers who each played very significant roles in our community.

In July current parent Maree Hutt lost her brave battle with cancer. Maree is survived by her husband Mick and her three children Toby (in Year 11), Ben (in Year 8) and nine-year-old Libby. The College community rallied around the Hutt family following Maree's passing, helping to organise fundraising events for an account set up to pay for the children's education. Donations can also be made at the National Australia Bank to account number 948768495, BSB 083 729.

We are also sad for the loss of two other former mothers of the College who died recently. Lila Gallagher, mother of Fern (SCP 1958-63), David (SPC 1962-68) and Peter (SPC 1965-70) was a long-time volunteer in the canteen and passed away in November at the age of 92.

Similarly Patricia Jones, mother of Matthew (SPC 1984-89), Nicholas (SPC 1986-91) and Chris (1988-93) sadly passed away in early November. Our thoughts and prayers are extended to the Gallagher and Jones families.





Kennedy House refurbishment

Major renovation works are being undertaken in the former Christian Brothers' House (above), now known as Kennedy House, as part of a plan to relocate much of the College's administration arm into the building.

Carpet layers, carpenters, builders, painters, plumbers, electricians and designers have been hard at work giving a fresh new face to the 80-year-old building. Readers of the last edition of *The Shamrock* would be aware that the former Christian Brothers' library will now become the new College boardroom. The Headmaster's office will also relocate to Kennedy House along with the offices of several other staff administrative staff.

Dr Peter Casey said by moving the administration offices away from their current location underneath the Kenny boarding dormitory, it would free up more room for expanded boarding facilities. The College expects to house around 70 boarding students in 2014.

Rowing upgrades

The St Patrick's Rowing Club has been incredibly busy in the second half of 2014 overseeing two major new investments ahead of the 2013-14 season.

Firstly, a new ultra-modern pontoon has been installed at the boathouse on Lake Wendouere, offering greater safety and performance. Secondly, in November the club unveiled its latest addition to its fleet of boats. The new boat has been christened the "Jamie Lynn" in honour of the decade of great coaching current staff member and Year 8 coordinator Jamie Lynn (left) has invested in the rowing programme.

Researching war history

The College has embarked upon a research project as it seeks to produce a book documenting the history of all its former students who fought in World War I.

College archivist Catriona Banks (above) said the school was aware of nearly 300 Old Boys who had fought in World War I, around 40 of whom were killed in action.

The College will produce a book tracing the lives of as many of these men as possible and will release the book to coincide with the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli landing in 2015.

"While we have some information on the lives of several former students who fought in the Great War, we need the help of the Ballarat community to provide us with more," Ms Banks said.

"If there are descendants of Old Boys who fought in the war who have information or photos or letters, we'd love to see it so we could look to include them in our publication.

"This book will be a fantastic piece of history for St Patrick's College and for the wider Ballarat community and we are really aiming to make it as comprehensive as possible."

Ms Banks said the College had already unearthed some amazing tales of bravery and heartbreak and was looking forward to producing a compelling historical record of some of Ballarat's bravest men.

"We have found two families from the St Patrick's College community at that time who endured the horror of each losing three brothers in the Great War," Ms Banks said.

"We have also found evidence of several Old Boys who were highly decorated for incredible deeds of bravery and honour."

Anyone with information about St Patrick's College Old Boys who fought in World War I is urged to contact Ms Banks on 5331 1688 or at cbanks@stpats.vic.edu.au.

Ryan rewarded

Congratulations also to Year 10 student Ryan Ringin (above) who was recently honoured at the Order of Australia Association Ballarat Group student citizenship awards at the Town Hall. Ryan was acknowledged for his strong commitment to improving the wider community. He is an active member of the school's social justice team. He travels with other students to St Albans each fortnight to tutor refugees.

During every school holiday Ryan participates in Youth at the Zoo (YATZ) where he is head of the youth affairs. Presently he is actively working on several further campaigns to raise public awareness. These campaigns are in progress at St Patrick's College, Sebastopol and the greater Ballarat Region.

Spelling Bee chosen

St Patrick's College is proud to announce that its Combined College Production with Loreto College for 2014 will be the Tony Award winning musical "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" authored by Rachel Sheinkin and music and lyrics by William Finn. The production will be staged from July 30 to August 1.

This production of "Spelling Bee" will in part feature alternate lyrics written by the original authors of the show.

"Spelling Bee" tells the hilarious story of a group of misfit children competing in their local spelling bee tournament for a spot in the National Championships. The show has many lead roles, not all of which require singing, several supporting roles and also features a large ensemble.

Auditions were being held late in Term 4.



Year 12 student Matthew Crouch was drafted to join his brother Brad at the Adelaide Crows.

Year 12 student Matthew Short will play for the Melbourne Renegades in the Big Bash this summer.

Year 12 student Jack Saunders has been selected in the Victorian Under 20 Basketball team.

Year 10 student Blake Thomson was named captain of the Australian Schoolboys Cricket team.

Sport

Sports stars shine

In the space of one frenetic fortnight in late November, the depth and breadth of sporting talent at St Patrick's College came to the fore four times.

Four of our emerging sporting talents earned honours on the state and national stage in the space of two weeks.

Year 12 student Matthew Short started the amazing quadrella when he signed a contract with the Melbourne Renegades to play T20 cricket in the 2013-14 Big Bash League. Fresh from enjoying some games with the Australian Under 19 team in 2013, Matthew will now have the opportunity to play cricket this summer alongside and against some of the game's all-time greatest players.

Matthew has already said he can't wait to play alongside Sri Lankan legend Muttiah Muralidaran as well as current Australian representatives Aaron Finch and Alex Doolan.

Less than one week after the Renegades' announcement, another SPC cricketer received an arguably higher honour when Year 10 student Blake Thomson was announced as captain of the Australian Schoolboys team which played in a tri-series against the West Indies and India in Bowral and Wollongong.

It was a fantastic achievement for Blake who led the team to victory in the tournament, with a narrow win over the West Indies in the final which was played at the University of Wollongong.

One day after that victory, the College community was again celebrating when Year 12 student Matthew Crouch was selected by the Adelaide Crows in the AFL National Draft.

When the Crows swooped with pick number 23 in the draft and called out Matthew's name, it provided a moment of much joy for the Crouch

family as Matthew will be reunited with older brother Brad who has already established himself as a star in the Adelaide midfield. (The following week in the AFL Rookie Draft, 1st XVIII captain Dallas Willmore was selected by Hawthorn to join the reigning premiers in 2014).

Then, just minutes later came the final leg of the quadrella when Year 12 student Jack Saunders was selected in the Victorian Under 20 Basketball team. The prestigious honour capped off a remarkable year for Jack who steered the SPC Senior Basketball team through one of its best seasons on record and also won the St Patrick's College Howard Award for Excellence which recognises all-round excellence, character, leadership, participation, academic pursuits and culture or sports.

Well done to all four boys!

John James Medal night

The 2013 John James Medal was conducted on Monday, September 9 in the Old Collegians' Pavilion. Thanks to all those who were involved in organising the evening which was attended by more than 210 guests.

We were delighted and privileged to host several special guests at the dinner including former Essendon champion ruckman and AFL Hall of Fame member Simon Madden as keynote speaker.

Simon, the Norm Smith medallist from the 1985 grand final, has long had a close affiliation with Edmund Rice schools having been a student and then a teacher at St Bernard's Essendon. He was also coach of the St Bernard's Old Collegians team in the Victorian Amateur Football Association. Simon now runs his own successful business advice and management company in Melbourne, providing strategic expertise to large and small businesses. He was a fantastic guest speaker, imploring our current students and footballers to focus on the big picture with their career choices and to make sure they don't take any short cuts to achieve their end goal. Speaking in the context of the recent peptides scandal at his beloved Essendon Football Club, Simon said he believed

the club leaders were too quick to pursue the easy, short-cut way to achieving their goals and were now being punished for it.

We were also thrilled to have in attendance on the evening current Old Boy footballers Nick O'Brien (SPC 2006-11) from Essendon and Brad Crouch (SPC 2006-11) from Adelaide. They were both interviewed on stage by current player manager and former number 1 AFL draft pick Alex McDonald (SPC 1982-87). Both Nick and Brad spoke about the lessons they had learned in their first few years as professional footballers, with Brad being able to talk about the thrill of finishing runner-up in the 2013 NAB Rising Star Award behind the Gold Coast Suns' Jaeger O'Meara

The real star of the night was Year 12 student Brett Bewley who was named as the winner of John James Medal for being best on ground in the BAS grand final, and was also named as the winner of the 1st XVIII best and fairest award after a stunning season in the green, white and blue.

Once again it was a fantastic conclusion to a terrific season for the football programme. Below is the full list of award winners.

James Medal Presentation Evening Awards

1st XVIII B&F
Br W.T. O'Malley Best & Fairest
Brett Bewley

2013 John James Medal:
Best on Ground BAS Grand Final
Brett Bewley

Year 10 Most Promising Player
Leigh Spiteri

SPC Rebels Most Valuable Player
Matthew Crouch

SPC Western Jets Most Valuable Player
Liam Duggan

2nd XVIII Best & Fairest
(Greg Dowd Trophy)
Marshall Lee & Tom Mooney

2nd XVIII B&F (White)
Tom Mooney

2nd XVIII B&F (Blue)
Marshall Lee

Year 10 Intermediate Blue Best & Fairest
Ben Lusby

Year 9 Intermediate Green Best & Fairest
Patrick Fairhead

Year 9 Intermediate White Best & Fairest
Jacob Brown

Junior Green Best & Fairest
Aiden Domic

Junior White Best & Fairest
Tom Lyon

Junior Blue Best & Fairest
Joe Dodd

Junior Gold
Mitchell Tuddenham

Year 7 Ryan Best and Fairest
Sam Bowen

Year 7 Galvin Best and Fairest
Joel O'Connell

Year 7 Nunan Best and Fairest
Jack Butler

Year 7 Keniry Best and Fairest
Fletcher Loader



Mr Howard Clark
First XVIII Coach

Pictured left (clockwise):

Brett Bewley was the star of the night, being crowned 1st XVIII Best and Fairest as well as winning the John James Medal for being best on ground in the BAS Grand Final.

Just days after being announced as runner-up in the AFL NAB Rising Star Award, Brad Crouch returned to his old stomping ground and was happy to address the audience at the John James Medal Night.

Former Essendon ruckman Simon Madden was an inspiring guest speaker at the John James Medal Night.

1st XVIII captain Dallas Willsmore delivers his captain's address.





Pictured (from top):
The SPC Second V Green team won the B-Grade BAS Premiership.

Former Melbourne Tigers coach Al Westover was a guest speaker at the Basketball Presentation Dinner.

The First V basketball team celebrate their BAS Premiership victory over Ballarat Grammar.

Award Winners

Year 7

SPC Blue
MVP Tyler Bates
and Ambrose Vallance
Coaches Isaac Roberts

SPC Green
MVP Fletcher Loader
Coaches Nathan Ward

SPC White
MVP Ned Nash
Coaches Jacob Little
and Harry Augustine

Year 8

SPC Blue
MVP Ryan Cox
Coaches Riley Shaw

SPC Green
MVP Ryan Gibbs
Coaches Nick Elliot

SPC White
MVP Max Edwards
Coaches Beau Rasic

Inter

SPC Blue
MVP Sam Short
Coaches Brayden Ward

SPC Green
MVP Will McCuskey
Coaches Tom Williamson

SPC White
MVP Jake Prior
Coaches Ryan McKew

SPC Gold
MVP Jack Walter
Coaches Chris Saunders

SPC
MVP Joe Downey
Coaches Oliver Richardson

Senior

SPC Blue
MVP Tom Thorogood
Coaches Kieran Wynne

SPC Green
MVP Ben Lakin
Coaches Liam Flanagan

1st V
MVP Jack Saunders
Coaches Tyler Constable
and Liam Edward

Basketball brilliance



Ms Tamara Westwood
Director of Basketball

The 2013 basketball season continued to showcase the number of talented basketball players we have here at St Patrick's College.

Once again our teams showed dominance in the BAS competition with the number of teams that we were able to put on the court each week. SPC were able to field three senior sides in the BAS competition, along with five intermediate teams, three Year 8 and three Year 7 sides. Participation rates within the sport of basketball continue to rise thanks to the wonderful commitment and effort of all of the coaches.

The 2013 BAS Season saw St Patrick's College finish with the following results:

Senior
1st V Premiers
2nd V Blue B Grade Premiers
2nd V Green B Grade Runners Up

Intermediate
SPC Blue Equal Runners Up
SPC Green Fourth
SPC White Fifth
SPC Gold Equal Runners Up
SPC Third

Year 8
SPC Blue Runners Up
SPC Green Third
SPC White Premiers

Year 7
SPC Blue Sixth
SPC Green Fourth
SPC White Fifth

For the fourth year running, the SPC First V Senior Team claimed the BAS Basketball Shield after defeating Ballarat Grammar. Through the regular season Grammar challenged the SPC first for three quarters of the game and went down by 18 in the end so the St Pats boys knew the Grand Final would be a tough game. Grammar got off to a strong start with players hitting some tough shots around the basket. The SPC boys were up to the challenge with Jack Saunders and Tyler Constable attacking the basket and Ignatius Stewart and Xavier Vearing controlling the key. The SPC boys played a very up-tempo game to test Grammar's fitness and skill level but it only created a 12-point break going into the main break.

In the second half the pressure the boys put on Grammar started to take its toll and the margin started to widen. The SPC boys came out and played very strong defensively to create turnovers and layup opportunities. Eammon McCuskey ran hard for eight easy points while Ignatius Stewart had a couple of dunk opportunities. Grammar's main scorer hit a few baskets but was well covered by Tyler Constable and Daniel Skaer to limit his impact on the game. In the end all of the SPC boys scored valuable points for the team and contributed to a strong 31-point win. It was a fantastic team effort and a great send off for Nick McMaster, Jack Saunders, Xavier

Vearing and Ignatius Stewart. Through the season there were a couple of other year 12 boys that made a strong contribution to the team's success in 2013, particularly Harry Murphy and Alex Brown.

On Monday October 14, the SPC Basketball Programme held its annual presentation dinner. It was fantastic to see more than 150 students, parents and friends attend the night. Special Guests Damon Lowrey and Al Westover entertained the crowd, with Most Valuable Player and Coaches Awards being revealed on the night. Congratulations to everyone who was involved with the 2013 SPC Basketball Programme. With your continued support, the programme will continue to go from strength to strength.



Grand final heartbreak for hockey stars

Mr John Sullivan

**BAS Hockey Grand Final:
St Patrick's College 1
lost to
Ballarat Grammar 3**

A three goal to one defeat was a disappointing result for the St Patrick's First XI Hockey team. Our boys played and fought fair and hard until the end and certainly represented the College in the most admirable manner.

The first half was an imbalanced contest with much of the play in our defence. This proved a challenge for our defenders, but Liam Noone and Daniel Toohey stood bravely in front of goalie Ryan Leaney and repeatedly cleared the ball from the D many times.

Our greatest challenge was to get the ball into our offensive half for the opportunity to score. We relied heavily on Liam's big hitting from the 16m hit outs to intimidate the opposition.

Our centre halves Mark McOwan, Connor Squires and Darcy Bissett

were also working overtime trying to evade the almost impassable strength of Grammar's centres and, as we were so focussed on defence, a couple of times our forwards were caught out of position when the ball made it through. That said, we did manage to force one or two short corners in the opening half but we were unable to find the net. With some underutilised forwards, and two exhausted wingers we went to half time at nil all.

The second half began in a similar fashion but our boys appeared to have a touch more desire. After many exhausting passages of play we were fortunate to achieve the breakthrough of a short corner. Harry McPhan pushed cleanly to Liam Noone, who cleverly dummied a pass, manoeuvred around a defender and struck the net.

It was with that drought-breaking goal, Grammar switched on. Within 30 seconds, their key player levelled the score to one goal all. In all

fairness, it was sheer brilliance, and an amazing piece of hockey skill. The remainder of the match unfortunately was a one-sided affair. Grammar got the better of us and scored a further two goals.

The First XI team that represented the College in BAS grand final

consisted of captain Mark McOwan, vice-captain Liam Noone, Ryan Leaney, Daniel Toohey, Connor Squires, Liam Jess, Lachlan Hewitt, Isaac Sullivan, Thomas Keogh, Darcy Bissett, Connor Dowie, Lawrence McCrabb, Thomas Evans and Harry McPhan.



First XI Hockey team
Back row (l-r): Lachlan Hewitt, Ryan Leaney, Liam Jess, Daniel Toohey
Front row: Thomas Evans, Connor Squire, Mark McOwan (C), Liam Noone (VC), Lawrence McCrabb.

Athletics and Cross Country

Mr Stephen McMahon

The BAS Cross Country Season opened on July 30 at the University of Ballarat. Our team performed magnificently, claiming Junior, Intermediate and Senior Team victories. SPC recorded a rare trifecta of the medals in the Under 14 3km event – led by Sam Williams, Harry Lamb and Aiden Domic, while Joshua Shugg was crowned Under 16 Champion. On September 2, an undermanned SPC had pleasing results at the BAS Road Relays winning the Junior Boys, but finishing behind Ballarat Grammar in the overall aggregate. Poor weather saw the prestigious BAS Lap of the Lake delayed until September 9. SPC convincingly claimed the Boys Aggregate and celebrated individual champions Sam Williams (Under 14) and Joshua Taylor (Under 16). Sam Williams also represented Victoria in the Australian All Schools Cross Country Championship in

Launceston placing 17th in U14 3km and collecting a bronze teams medal.

The end of Term 3 saw a determined SPC Athletics Team compete twice at the Lakeside Stadium, in the Victorian All Schools Track Relays and Victorian Schools Knockout. Against the best schools in the nation, six teams made finals with the highlight being SPC's first bronze medal in this championship, in the Under 20 Medley Relay (200m, 200m, 400m, 800m), represented by Fergus Bragge, Nicholas Weightman, Brody Sheridan and Laiton Sullivan. There were some outstanding performances in the Knockout Final, with SPC placing 10th in Junior, 10th in Intermediate and 7th in Senior. The final event for 2013 was the Victorian All Schools Athletics Championships in October. Congratulations to our six

athletes who collected five medals – two Gold, a Silver and two Bronze and made a total of eight finals. Results: Bradley Castleman U14 High Jump 2nd (Silver) 1.72m, U14 Triple Jump 4th 10.88m; Sam Williams U14 800m 1st (Gold) 2min10.15sec, U14 1500m 1st (Gold) 4min33.8sec; Lucas Shugg U16

800m 9th 2min9.61sec, U16 1500m 9th 4min23.95sec; Ryan Shaw U17 High Jump Equal 3rd (Bronze) 1.80m, Jack Shaw U17 400m Hurdles 3rd (Bronze) 59.93sec, U17 400m 6th 52.48sec; Stuart Aberdein U17 100m 10th 11.77sec, U17 400m 5th 52.42sec.



Fergus Bragge, Brody Sheridan, Nicholas Weightman, and Laiton Sullivan won a bronze medal in the U20 medley relay at the Victorian All Schools Track Relays in September.

Rugby presentation night

Mr Leigh McKee

The annual presentation evening for the College's school Rugby programme was held in the SPC Old Collegians Pavilion on Monday September 2. It was a fantastic night with Rebels player, Angus Roberts the guest speaker. Congratulations to all of the award winners from the night.

Under 13 Awards:

Best & Fairest Ryan Yeomans
Coaches Award Jack Martin
Most Improved Luke Griffith
Players' Player Jacob Nolan

Under 14 Awards:

Best & Fairest Brendan Bell
Coaches Award Liam McIntosh
Most Improved Mitch Fowler
Players' Player William Harrison

Under 16 Awards:

Best & Fairest Ben Debono
Coaches Award Logan Simmonds
William Sullivan
Most Improved Jack Lewis
Sean Howard
Players' Player Mitchell Brown

First XV Awards:

Best & Fairest Gene Bergman
Weary Dunlop Connor Squires
Award
Most Improved Jessy Kroon
Players' Player Jay Jack

Right:
First XV vice-captain Gene Bergman was crowned the best and fairest player for 2013.



Thrilling soccer victory

Mr Tony Beggs - First XI coach

On the Morshead Park synthetic pitch St Patrick's College Blue defeated Ballarat College to claim its sixth BAS title in a row - and eighth if drawn results are counted. This victory was different however because at no stage during the year did we assume that we could win this match and this Championship.

It had been a real struggle to just make the Grand Final because we had lost twice to the College team and were thrashed by the strong Damascus side. Making the final had come down to a percentage calculation that many would have queried.

We defended against the wind to begin and the first five minutes ensured that this game was going to be a tight contest. A defensive error saw us turn the ball over to College for their first incursion and supporters immediately had their hearts in their mouths. However, the backline stayed solid throughout the match and well made up for this error as they continually backed their judgment and passed off down the line and inside to the central players Pat Karras and Jarrah Staley.

The central defence was ably led by Anthony Schuurs and Chris Milroy.

Their contributions were profound as they continually headed the ball clear or ran on the defensive side of their attackers. Tom Whitburn on the left side and Hamish Clydesdale on the right completed this solid defensive line.

Centrally we were doing well as Pat Karras and the frenetic Jarrah Staley seemed to be closing their attacks down before they were raised. Jo Bol also attacked for us with two close shots on goal, the second that demanded a significant save from their keeper.

Looking over last year's final report it was acclaimed that Jack Knight was a key influence in the result and he again produced some outstanding saves and sure-handed work in this game. He was again among our best as he was only defeated once by what looked like a set play as College played a ball across the goals to a waiting attacker who made the first score of the match.

We levelled the score after strong attacks on the right side by Pat Karras finding Jo Bol who was able to put shots on goal. Jo teamed with Brody Duggan and his beautiful cross from the right side curved away from the keeper and back

towards the waiting Isaac Harbour who headed surely for our first.

Extra time was called and Jake Selby played his part. He received a pass near the 18-yard box but was challenged by two defenders. He managed to hold his position despite looking like being outmuscled and got the ball square to Isaac Harbour who had made the option centrally. Isaac made no mistake from such an option.

St Patrick's continued to attack and held the lead through the two extra time periods. The boys were rightfully proud of themselves at the presentation of shield and

pennant. This had been a difficult year – the skills shown by all teams was at a high standard. To come through and gain the place in the final was significant, but the win was even more satisfying against a worthy opposition.

Final Score:
St Patrick's College Blue - 2
defeated
Ballarat College - 1

Goals: Isaac Harbour 2

Best: Tom Whitburn, Isaac Harbour, Pat Karras, Jack Knight, Jarrah Staley, Anthony Schuurs, Chris Milroy, Hamish Clydesdale



120 Years of Greatness

A team of St Patrick's College footballing experts, spanning several decades, has in the past few months had the unenviable task of selecting the greatest team of players ever to pull on the green, white and blue jumper.

The selection panel featured current 1st XVIII coach Howard Clark, former coach Gerard Ryan, Headmaster Dr Peter Casey and a group of esteemed Old Boys including Barry Richardson, John "Jock" Lardner, Graham Duff and Alex McDonald and OCA treasurer Michael Kearney were commissioned to sort through the hundreds of star footballers to emerge from the College, and narrow them down to the best 22 of all time.

The project to name the greatest team of 120 years was launched following an approach by Edmund Rice Education Australia which, in 2014, will announce its best team of all time, sourcing players from all Edmund Rice Schools in Australia. The battle to earn a place in that team will be extremely tough given the quality of footballers who have learnt their trade in Christian Brothers schools over the decades.

To ensure St Patrick's College had the best chance of significant representation in the EREA team, we took the opportunity to reflect on our fine footballing history and identify our best team ever.

Chairman of the selection panel Howard Clark said the task of choosing the team required establishing strict criteria and

then conducting extensive research to ensure the achievements of players from long ago were not overlooked.

"It was always going to be a difficult task given that we have more than 100 Old Boys now that have played football at the highest level," Mr Clark said.

"Of course, some of the greats of the game have come from St Patrick's and there are a number of players selected in the final team that simply picked themselves. However, there were also many other positions on the ground that were not so clear cut and required the selection panel to engage in spirited debate.

"We are confident though that the final team we have come up with would fare well against any other team from any other school and we are hopeful that several of our stars will be included in the EREA team in 2014."

That St Patrick's College greatest team of 120 years team will be revealed at a red carpet, black tie function on Friday, February 7, 2014 in the Old Collegians' Pavilion at 7pm. Just 250 tickets at \$100 each are available for sale on a first in, first served basis and they are selling fast. Any member of the College community interested in attending is urged to urgently contact Caitlin Bennett on 5322 4449 or at cbennett@stpats.vic.edu.au





Where are they now?

An unlikely Old Boy meeting place



Above: From left, Father Leo Donnelly (SPC 1940-50), Cardinal George Pell (SPC 1949-59), Father Chris Baker (SPC 1942-43) and Midshipman Gordon Hutcheon (SPC 2005-2010) at their impromptu Old Boy meet-up in Lima, Peru.

Top: "Cardinal George Pell doing his part to help the stairs effort."

It would be fair to suggest that when Royal Australian Navy Midshipman Gordon Hutcheon (SPC 2005-10) joined a group attending World Youth Day celebrations this year, he did not expect to be part of a mini, impromptu Old Boy reunion on the other side of the world. We thank him greatly for the following account of a remarkable Peruvian meet-up.

"On June 16 a group of pilgrims left Sydney Airport headed for the World Youth Day celebrations in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. One 32-hour day later they had landed in Lima, Peru for a week of missionary work in the Pamplona-Alta shanty town. This group was headed by Cardinal George Pell (SPC 1949-59), the Archbishop of Sydney, and the eponym for the Pell Wing. It was 72-strong, full of young people including six from the Australian Defence Force Academy.

Our missionary work was to build 150m of concrete stairs up the steep incline upon which the poor refugees

from the Andes have made their homes. These tiny, fibro houses are a mark of the hardships these people faced from the Shining Path terrorist organisation. The hills were covered in loose shale and climbing was difficult. The stairs would make this chore less risky. On completion the local Mayor dubbed the stairs "Escalera Del Cardenal" or the Cardinal's Stairs, in honour of His Eminence.

During our stay, we met some Fathers of the Columban order who had been living a missionary life in Lima for over 30 years. His Eminence introduced them as Old Boys. Fr Chris Baker had attended SPC from 1942 to 1943 and later also taught at the College during which time one of his students was Fr Leo Donnelly (SPC 1940-50). Despite being over 13,000km away from SPC the Old Boy network is still as strong as ever."

Mr Hutcheon also provided the following Q&A session with Cardinal Pell:

Q: Your Eminence, can you provide a quick overview of what you are doing in Lima?

There were 600 Aussie Pilgrims working in the shanty towns of Lima doing different works. Our group was building stairs, there was also a chapel, and some helped renovate the community centres. A group of Maronites built a soccer-field. Obviously this made a bit of a contribution to the local people, but I think the bigger import of it was that it really reminded us of the scale of the poverty in Lima and many parts of South America.

We ran into two missionary priests, Fr Chris Baker and Fr Leo Donnelly. Can you tell me about them?

They're Columban priests, that's an Irish missionary order of which quite a few old St Pat's boys are members. Fr Leo was perhaps 10 years older than myself, and he spent his life over in Peru as a missionary working in very poor parishes bringing Christ to the people and helping to produce local vocations who could take over. Fr Donnelly was in charge of this Diocese during the time of the Shining Path guerrillas. There was terrible violence, it was a very stressful time.

Do you feel that missionary work such as this would benefit high school students?

For sure. Quite a number of schools do this in Australia, they go to the Islands, or Papua New Guinea, or East Timor. I mean they don't have to come to South America, but it broadens the student's horizon and they're able to make a real contribution to the local community.

Do you have any closing remarks for the readers of the Shamrock back home?

This is the second time I've been in Peru. The last time I was here I visited the Columban Fathers. There were several Old Boys there at the time. I was pleased, I'm a very loyal Old Boy, and I loved the school when I was there over 50 years ago. It was a consolation to me to meet up on the other side of the world with Old Boys like yourself who are on World Youth Day pilgrimage. I regret there's not a larger number of St Pat's kids that go every World Youth Day. They'd gain a lot from it and thoroughly enjoy it. I'm also pleased to see these priests who've made a wonderful contribution, humanly speaking, spiritually, and religiously in what, by Australian standards, is a very difficult country.

- One of Ballarat's most influential businessmen **Bill Flynn (SPC 1944)** died peacefully in October. Bill founded his family-run commercial and industrial building business W.M.Flynn in 1950. He was twice elected to the Shire of Ballarat where he served for 18 years, including two stints as shire president. Bill was married to his wife Mollie for 53 years and had six children and nine grandchildren.
- Two members of the 1956 1st XVIII - **Adrian Bennetto (SPC 1953-56)** and **Robert 'Dusty' Nelson (SPC 1954-56)** – died in August. Adrian spent his working life in education where his skills were recognised as many of the educational professional bodies attested in their remembrances. "Dusty" worked in the television industry from its inception and worked both locally and overseas.
- **Michael Melican (SPC 1944-45)** died in August. Michael's death made the Warrnambool Standard as his passing was followed just two days later by that of his wife of 57 years, Loreto. Michael was regarded as a pioneer throughout south-west Victoria for his expertise in herd improvement techniques and was a founding member of the organisation that developed into the Warrnambool Co-op. The couple retired to Warrnambool where they spent their final years looking over their five children and eight grandchildren.
- **Dr Denis Bourke SPC (1949-53)** died in September. The first of the mementoes placed on Denis' coffin at his funeral was his old SPC cap. The second memento was his stethoscope, to remind us of his 53 years of generous service as a General Practitioner at his practice in East Bentleigh. Other mementoes recognised his long service to rowing which included being president of the Hawthorn Rowing Club, whose members gave a Salute of Oars.
- **Bill Drake (SPC 1950-53)** died on October 3 aged 77. Bill was an outstanding sportsman at St Patrick's, excelling at football and tennis.
- **Brien Bourke (SPC 1947-49)** died in May aged 79. Brien had a partnership in farming with his brother Hugh and lived on the property at Caldermeade, near Lang Lang. Brien had an interest in horse racing and held an owner-trainer licence for many years. He served as chairman of the Pakenham Racing Club for 20 years.
- **Murray Podbury (SPC 1943-50)** died on September 29 in Melbourne. Murray is survived by his wife Dorothy June and his brother Ron (SPC 1942-1947).
- **John Basil Hennessy AO (SPC 1937-41)** died in October. John was a member of the 1st XVIII in 1941 and always spoke fondly of his time at SPC.
- **Gerald Little (SPC 1937-40)** died peacefully at home in October aged 90. Gerald was surrounded by his family at the time of his death and is survived by wife Margaret.
- **Fr Frank Monaghan (SPC 1942-46)** died in October in Mildura. Fr Monaghan provided generous ministry in the Ballarat Diocese since his ordination in 1955. We pray for Frank's family, especially his brother John and we remember the parishes of the Sunraysia where Frank ministered for much of his priesthood.



Right: Michael Melican (SPC 1944-45) and his wife Loreto passed away within two days of each other after 57 years of marriage. Picture courtesy of Mark Williams Photography Warrnambool.

OCA President's Column

Mr Stephen McMahon

2013 has been a watershed year with the OCA formally reviewing its strategic direction. We have analysed why we exist, what we do, what we provide our members, what support we give the College community, and how we envisage a more dynamic association in the future.

Our draft strategic plan is currently receiving final feedback from the wider College community before its adoption. We intend launching the 2014-20 OCA Strategic Plan by year's end. It will be accessible through the OCA link on the College website. Its successful implementation is where the real work begins.

There are eight key strategy areas, with objectives and KPIs that need to be addressed to enable the OCA to achieve its vision. Each strategy area has an action plan to be delivered by an Executive member. These action plans can be viewed in the full document. For an OCA member, this will translate to a much more active, visible and

purposeful alumni association wherever our Old Boys live. I challenge any Old Boy to join your OCA team to assist with this important work over the next few years, whether on the executive committee or assisting with specific projects requiring less of a commitment. If you would like to get involved please contact the OCA or simply make an effort to get along and support OCA events. Remember to 'like' the SPC-OCA Facebook page (www.facebook.com/spcoca), to be regularly updated with news.

I wish to thank everyone who attended the various OCA functions held this year. Thanks for your support and I hope you enjoyed reconnecting with your school and your mates. Happy Christmas to all. Ecka Dora Boys!

Below: The Geelong Regional Dinner, which was held at the Edg in November, is just one of many functions the OCA organises every year.



Right:
Members of the social group of Old Boys who meet regularly for lunch in Kew include Fr. Leo Baker (SPC 39-41), John Mason (42-44), Peter Hyland (42-44), Joe Delaney (43-44), Kevin Raphael (42-44), Kevin Murphy (40-43), Brian Feery (43-44), and Bill Keating (41-44).



Old Boys in the news

- Congratulations to **Anthony Banks (SPC 1980-85)** who has been appointed Principal of St Joseph's College, Mildura commencing on January 13. Anthony has held the position of Deputy Principal – Students at St Peter's College, Cranbourne for the past four years. Similarly, **Paul Bissinella (SPC 1986)** has been appointed as principal of St Francis Xavier Primary School, Ballarat East.
- **Graham Evans AO (SPC 1958-59)** has reconnected with the College. A previous key adviser and chief of staff to Prime Minister Bob Hawke during the 1980s, Graham later joined BHP Billiton as the global head of External Affairs until 2003. Graham also served as the inaugural chair of the Victorian Competition and Efficiency Commission and has also been a director at companies including Fosters, Australia Post and Telecom. He was recognised as an Officer of the Order of Australia for the economic reforms he made as head of the Department of Primary Industries and the Department of Transport and Communications.
- **Bishop Paul Bird** in July celebrated Mass for priests celebrating jubilees of ordination for a number of Old Boys including **Fr Bob Markey (60 years: SPC 1941-42)**, **Fr Peter Taffe (50 years: SPC 1951-55)**, **Fr Bill van de Camp (SPC 1962-64)** and **Fr Lawrence O'Toole (40 years: SPC 1964-65)**. Meanwhile the Diocese of Sandhurst celebrated a Mass at St Kilian's Church, Bendigo to celebrate the jubilee ordinations of Old Boys **Monsignor Bryan Long (60 years: SPC 1942-45)** and **Monsignor Peter Jeffrey (SPC 1953-55)**. Around Australia other Old Boy priests celebrated anniversary years. In Perth, **Fr Brian Russell (SPC 1954)** was recognised for 50 years in the priesthood. In Melbourne, at Nazareth House in Camberwell, **Fr Desmond Brown CSsR (SPC 1947-55)** celebrated his 50th jubilee. In North Albury **Fr Kevin Flanagan (SPC 1942-44)** celebrated 50 years as a priest. Fr Flanagan was also featured in the Albury Border Mail after the local primary school, St Anne's, named one of its school houses after him in recognition of his decades of service.
- It was great to hear from attendees at "The Harp" SPC Old Boys Lunch group in September 2013. This unofficial group of SPC Old Boys from the 1940-50s era has been meeting regularly for more than 50 years and still enjoy the friendships from their years as boarders at SPC. Members in the photograph from left: **Fr. Leo Baker (SPC 39-41)**, **John Mason (42-44)**, **Peter Hyland (42-44)**, **Joe Delaney (43-44)**, **Kevin Raphael (42-44)**, **Kevin Murphy (40-43)**, **Brian Feery (43-44)**, and **Bill Keating (41-44)**.
- **Ben Zala (1996-2001)** has been awarded a PhD in International Politics from the University of Birmingham. Ben's thesis used almost 200 years of diplomatic history to examine the nature of global power transitions and perceptions of order and was passed without corrections by two of Europe's leading professors in the field. Ben has just taken up a new position at the University of Leicester as a Lecturer in International Politics where he will be continuing his research as well as teaching courses on rising powers and strategic studies.
- The College's VAFA affiliate club, the North Old Boy's-St Patrick's College Football Club has appointed a new coach for 2014. Ron Rooney, a former coach in the EDFL and a former development coach with Cricket Victoria and Cricket Australia, takes over from Old Boy **Richard Peoples (SPC 1983-89)**.
- **Nick Suban (SPC 2003-08)** was the only Old Boy fortunate enough to play in this year's AFL Grand Final. Congratulations also to **Tom Downie (SPC 2010-11)** who made his AFL debut for the GWS Giants in Round 20. Tom became the fourth Old Boy to make his debut in season 2013. Congratulations also to **Steve Clifton (SPC 1999-2004)** who won the North Ballarat Roosters best and fairest count on October 6.
- Finally congratulations to **Steve Moneghetti (SPC 1975-80)** who broke the 10km world record for 51-year-olds with his time of 31 min 27 sec in this year's Melbourne Marathon.

Golf Day glory

The Annual OCA Golf Day was held in late November at Midlands Golf Club in glorious conditions.

Winners of the handicap section on the day was a team of current Year 12 students comprised of Luke Wilson, Kelly Lyle, Xavier Vearing and Oscar McDonald (pictured).

The OCA would like to say thank you to the many students, parents, staff, and Old Boys who attended the day,

helping to make it a success. Special thanks must also go to our premium sponsors Barker and Jennings Accountants, Jim's Fencing, the Red Lion Hotel and Kings Cars. Without such corporate generosity these days would not be possible, so we encourage all in the College community to support those who support us.

We look forward to another successful golf day in 2014.



Below:
OCA Golf day handicap winners, from left, Luke Wilson, Kelly Lyle, Xavier Vearing, Oscar McDonald.

Reunion Wrap

The 2013 Old Collegians' Association reunion programme concluded in October when, in consecutive weeks, the Classes of 2003 and 1993 enjoyed their ten and 20-year reunions.

At each event nearly 50 Old Boys from each year level were in attendance, capping off what has been another successful year for OCA Reunions.

As you will read on Page 30 the reunion programme is undergoing a revamp in 2014 designed to ensure we have a clearly identified reunion season each year, rather than having all the functions spread out across the calendar year.

At the Class of 2003 10-Year reunion, former College Captain Lachlan Keen addressed the gathering, reliving some memories from a decade ago before fellow former student Daniel Parry got the ball rolling with a Q&A-style format, interviewing nearly every Old Boy in the room. The night ended with a stirring rendition of the St Patrick's College War Cry - a video of which can be seen at the SPC-OCA Facebook page (www.facebook.com/spcoca).

At the 20-Year reunion, former College Vice-Captain Bart Molony and former Purton Oratory winner Paul Huggett assumed the public speaking duties before the party rocked on long into the night at Ballarat nightclubs. The 20-Year Reunion was particularly notable as the Class of 1993 were the graduating class in the College's Centenary Year. It was very pleasing that so many men at this reunion had been prepared to travel vast distances to be in attendance.

We thank all Old Boys who attended reunions and regional dinners in 2013 for their ongoing support of the OCA.

Top:

Class of 1993 members, from left, Dennis O'Brien, Chris Jones, Simon Clark and Ashley Madigan relived old memories at their 20-Year reunion.

Left hand column:

Former College Vice Captain Bart Molony caught up with former classmate and fellow boarder James Nihill at the Class of 1993 20-Year reunion.

Chris Bedggood and David Pryce from the Class of 1993.

Chris Zeegers and Adrian Stevens caught up for a drink at the Class of 1993 20-Year reunion.

1993 class member and former Carlton AFL player Tony Bourke enjoys a laugh at his 20-Year reunion.

Right hand column:

2003 class member Daniel Parry interviews current staff member Danny Moore at the 10-Year reunion

Former College Captain Lachlan Keen addresses the Class of 2003 10-Year reunion.

Stuart Near joined his former classmates to relive many great memories from 2003.

Class of 2003 Old Boy Scott Quinney came back early from living in Germany to attend his 10-Year reunion.





OCA reunion revamp

The Old Collegians' Association reunion calendar has been revamped for 2014 in an effort to provide greater convenience for Old Boys wishing to attend.

Previously, reunions for the five, ten, 20, 30, 40 and 50-year groups have been scattered across the calendar year, ranging from Term 1 to Term 4, making it difficult for those wishing to attend to plan ahead with any great certainty.

From 2014 onwards, however, these reunions will all be held at the same time of year, from mid to late May. The only OCA reunions which will be held outside this timeframe will be the one-year barbecue reunion which will continue to be held in February and, of course, the St Patrick's Day luncheon reunion.

As such, the key dates for reunions to pencil in your calendar for 2014 are as follows:

• **Class of 2013**

BBQ dinner – Wednesday, February 12 at 6pm. OCA Pavilion.

• **Pre-1970 Old Boys**

St Patrick's Day luncheon for – Monday, March 17. Mass at 11am followed by lunch

• **Class of 2009**

Five Year Reunion – Friday, May 16 at 7pm. Venue TBC.

• **Class of 1984**

30-Year Reunion Friday, May 23 at 6pm. OCA Pavilion.

• **Class of 1994**

20-Year Reunion – Saturday, May 24 at 6pm. OCA Pavilion.

• **Pre-1970**

Reunion luncheon for all Pre 1970 classes – Sunday, May 25 at noon. OCA Pavilion.

• **Class of 1974**

40-Year Reunion – Friday, May 30 at 6pm. OCA Pavilion.

• **Class of 2004**

10-Year Reunion – Saturday, May 31 at 6pm. OCA Pavilion.

The other key date Old Boys may like to put in their diary is for the 2014 Legends Dinner which is scheduled to be held in the Old Collegian's Pavilion on Saturday, May 3 from 6.30pm. The 2014 Legends inductees will be announced closer to the date.

Next edition ...

It is hard to believe that this landmark year, the 120th in the fine history of our College, is rapidly drawing to a close.

We are proud to reflect fondly on a year that promised so much, and delivered so much more. We've had so much to celebrate – in the classrooms, on the sporting fields and in the concert halls, and also in the achievements of our alumni. We just hope that the words and pictures contained in these pages throughout the year have been sufficient to give you a sample of life at St Patrick's College in 2013.

We wish all our readers a joyous and restful Christmas and New Year before we return to do it all again in 2014. We plan to have the first edition of the Shamrock in 2014

arriving in your letter box in mid-April and, as such, the closing date for any submissions to the magazine will be 4pm on Friday, April 4 – the last day of Term 1.

We value your contributions to the Shamrock and encourage you to send any submissions through to pnolan@stpats.vic.edu.au





St Patrick's College Foundation

As a member of the St Patrick's College community we invite you to reflect on the enormous role the College played in helping you and your family develop to where it is today.

We trust that the quality of education you experienced in your time affiliated with the College has left a lasting legacy on you and your family. We now hope you feel it is your turn to leave a lasting legacy on the College in return.

St Patrick's College remains committed to providing Ballarat's best education for boys. As we mark the closure of 2013 and look towards a new year, we also remain particularly committed to providing first class education to those who may sometimes struggle financially to meet all the costs of quality schooling. This is where you can help.

The financial challenge of maintaining and developing first class educational facilities for boys is immense. The cost of maintaining up to date teaching and learning facilities incorporating emerging and engaging learning technologies is significant and to keep pace in a competitive educational environment the College must be proactive in continuing to expand the programmes and facilities available to students. The College also seeks to maintain the inherent beauty within its grounds and buildings, a significant challenge given the century old buildings that are a hallmark at SPC.

Fundamentally however St Patrick's College aims to be true to its Catholic heritage and the spirit of Edmund Rice. The College continues to work closely with the marginalised in the community and offers fee relief to approximately 10% of the student population. It also supports members of our Indigenous community and others experiencing temporary and ongoing hardship. To continue these good works the College needs to attract and invest endowed funds that can be used to finance scholarships and bursaries for students. St Patrick's College has a rich history of supporting students with scholarships and bursaries, with many of the College's highest achievers benefiting from the good will and generosity of the Christian Brothers.

If you feel that St Patrick's College in some way has played a precious and significant part in your life today, then through your generous support you can help us serve the needs of future generations of young men who will 'stick with the green, white and blue'. Any bequest or a donation is a tangible way that you can show this support and in your own way maintain the tradition of giving and support that has assisted generations of 'Paddy Boys'.

How to proceed from here

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